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## Warrant for Town Meeting.

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*To Walter K. Swett, a Constable of the Town of Falmouth,  
in the County of Cumberland,* GREETING :

In the name of the State of Maine, you are hereby required to notify and warn the inhabitants of said Town of Falmouth, qualified to vote in town affairs, to meet at the Town House, in said Town, on the second day of March, 1896, at nine o'clock in the forenoon, to act upon the following articles, to wit :

First. To choose a Moderator to preside at said meeting.

Second. To choose a Clerk for the ensuing year.

Third. To hear and act upon the reports of Selectmen, Assessors and Overseers of Poor, Treasurer and Supervisor of Schools.

Fourth. To choose all other necessary Town Officers for the ensuing year.

Fifth. To see if the Town will grant and raise such sums of money as may be necessary for the maintenance and support of schools, and the poor, and the repair of roads and bridges, and to defray all other necessary town charges for the ensuing year.

Sixth. To see what action the Town will take in regard to the pay of Town Officers.

## REPORT OF

# Selectmen, Assessors & Overseers of Poor

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*To the Inhabitants of Falmouth:*

We herewith submit for your consideration the assessments, receipts and expenditures of the town for the fiscal year ending Feb. 15, 1896.

### VALUATION 1895.

|                                |              |
|--------------------------------|--------------|
| Real estate, resident,         | \$512,250 00 |
| Personal estate, resident,     | 163,270 00   |
| Real estate, non-resident,     | 156,850 00   |
| Personal estate, non-resident, | 6,725 00     |
| Supplementary,                 | 920 00       |

|                  |              |
|------------------|--------------|
| Total valuation, | \$840,015 00 |
|------------------|--------------|

Rate of taxation, \$1.05 on \$100.

Number of polls, 385.

Poll tax, \$2.00.

### ASSESSMENTS FOR 1895.

|                       |             |
|-----------------------|-------------|
| For State tax,        | \$ 2,360 92 |
| County tax,           | 1,228 86    |
| Schools,              | 2,000 00    |
| Poor,                 | 300 00      |
| Highways—special,     | 500 00      |
| Bridges and culverts, | 600 00      |
| Town officers,        | 1,100 00    |

|                                      |            |
|--------------------------------------|------------|
| Out poor and insane,                 | 300 00     |
| Snow,                                | 300 00     |
| Contingencies,                       | 500 00     |
| Text books,                          | 50 00      |
| Repair of school houses,             | 100 00     |
| Overlay,                             | 230 34     |
| Supplementary,                       | 9 66       |
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| Total amount committed to Collector, | \$9,579 78 |

## ACCOUNT OF EXPENDITURES.

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### TOWN OFFICERS.

|   |            |
|---|------------|
| Appropriation,  | \$1,100 00 |
| F. B. Blanchard, services and ex-<br>penses as Selectman, etc., | \$152 25   |
| D. W. Lunt, services and expenses<br>as Selectman, etc.,        | 117 80     |
| H. K. Norton, services and ex-<br>penses as Selectman, etc.,    | 119 00     |
| R. S. Norton, Treasurer,  | 50 00      |
| F. B. Blanchard, Supervisor of<br>Schools,                      | 112 94     |
| J. E. Merrill, services as Constable,<br>'94 and '95,           | 20 00      |
| J. E. Merrill, Coll. percentage,<br>1893,                       | 219 67     |
| A. S. Noyes, Town Clerk,  | 21 70      |
| B. F. Lunt, Ballot Clerk,                                       | 2 00       |
| F. R. Norton, Ballot Clerk,                                     | 2 00       |
| Geo. D. York, Election Clerk,                                   | 2 00       |
| H. B. Mountfort, Election Clerk,                                | 2 00       |
| Frank Moulton, Auditor,   | 4 00       |
| Geo. H. Hill,   | 6 00       |

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| A. O. Field, Board of Health,                      | 2 00       |            |
| H. J. Merrill, Sec. etc. Board of<br>Health,       | 5 69       |            |
| H. J. Merrill, Moderator,                          | 2 00       |            |
| J. Wm. Merrill, Board of Health,                   | 1 50       |            |
| W. K. Swett, Constable, account of<br>dog license, | 5 00       |            |
| Balance in favor of appropriation,                 | 252 45     |            |
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|  | \$1,100 00 | \$1,100 00 |

## HIGHWAYS.

|  |         |          |
|--|---------|----------|
| Appropriation,   |         | \$500 00 |
| J. W. Merrill, labor on hill near S.<br>Point Bridge,      | \$16 95 |          |
| Martin Iverson, labor on hill and road<br>to Deering line, | 97 75   |          |
| Martin Iverson, labor on Dis. No. 3,                       | 10 50   |          |
| L. M. Ingersoll, labor on Dis. No. 13<br>and 15,           | 16 00   |          |
| Amos Marston, labor on Dis. No. 12,                        | 4 00    |          |
| R. H. Whitney, labor on Dis. No. 8,                        | 6 00    |          |
| U. R. Pride, labor on Dis. No. 21,                         | 30 00   |          |
| Wilbur Libby, labor on Dis. No. 13,                        | 2 10    |          |
| A. W. Shaw, labor on Dis. No. 13<br>and 15,                | 16 00   |          |
| Stephen Squires,   | 1 10    |          |
| P. P. Askor,   | 1 10    |          |
| N. Anderson, labor on S. P. Bridge<br>hill,                | 6 00    |          |
| M. McKennon, labor on Dis. No. 13,                         | 5 50    |          |
| A. F. Minot, 1894-5, labor on Dis.<br>No. 12,              | 15 00   |          |
| Shaw & Leighton, labor on Dis. No.<br>16,                  | 9 13    |          |
| L. M. Winslow, labor on Dis. No. 10,                       | 10 50   |          |
| Charles Lewis, labor on Dis. No. 16,                       | 4 00    |          |

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|--|----------|----------|
| N. H. Leighton, labor on Dis. No. 15,  | 6 00     |          |
| William Duff, labor on Dis. No. 18,    | 80       |          |
| J. M. Leighton, labor on Dis. No. 18,  | 3 00     |          |
| Edward Libby, labor on Dis. No. 18,    | 6 00     |          |
| W. H. Snell, labor on Dis. No. 18,     | 5 00     |          |
| Geo. T. Richards, labor on Dis. No. 7, | 13 80    |          |
| J. T. Richards, labor on Dis. No. 6,   | 10 00    |          |
| W. W. Libby, gravel,                   | 10 00    |          |
| Silas O. Skillin, labor on Dis. No. 3, | 30 00    |          |
| Fred W. Skillin, labor on Dis. No. 3,  | 30 00    |          |
| B. J. Adams, labor on Dis. No. 3,      | 20 00    |          |
| B. A. Hincks, labor on Dis. No. 4,     | 28 00    |          |
| Angus McDonald, labor on Dis. No. 5,   | 1 55     |          |
| Roland Leighton, 1893, labor on Dis.   |          |          |
| No. 18,                                | 4 00     |          |
| L. G. Baker, labor on Dis. No. 25,     | 3 00     |          |
| T. M. Lewis, labor on Dis. No. 16,     | 8 24     |          |
| Geo. W. Knight, labor on Dis. No. 7,   | 30       |          |
| Balance in favor of appropriation,     | 68 48    |          |
|  | <hr/>    | <hr/>    |
|  | \$500 00 | \$500 00 |

## BRIDGES AND CULVERTS.

|                              |         |          |
|------------------------------|---------|----------|
| Appropriation,               |         | \$600 00 |
| J. Osgood, use of derrick,   |         | 3 00     |
| Huston Bros., labor,         | \$ 1 00 |          |
| C. P. Huston, rep. washouts, | 8 10    |          |
| Geo. H. Huston, “            | 3 20    |          |
| Amos Marston, “              | 1 15    |          |
| Fred Hanson, “               | 1 92    |          |
| C. J. Fries, “               | 1 20    |          |
| A. F. Winslow, “             | 3 60    |          |
| N. Leighton, “               | 5 00    |          |
| F. O. J. Pride, “            | 2 50    |          |
| C. H. Lord, “                | 4 20    |          |
| L. M. Winslow, “             | 2 00    |          |
| B. S. Huston, “              | 5 00    |          |

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|---|-------|
| S. O. Skillin, rep. washouts,                                 | 7 10  |
| Fred Skillin, “   | 5 00  |
| B. J. Adams, “  | 3 40  |
| Portland Stone Ware Co., drain pipe,                          | 19 58 |
| Stephen Dolley, labor,  | 4 00  |
| J. Wm. Merrill, hauling tile,                                 | 2 00  |
| Deering, Winslow & Co., bridge stringers,                     | 13 00 |
| C. H. Lord, labor on derrick and storing same,                | 8 10  |
| H. F. Leighton, labor,  | 5 00  |
| Fred Marston, rep. washouts,                                  | 5 80  |
| C. H. Lord, labor and posts,                                  | 3 32  |
| J. M. Leighton, labor, meadow bridge,                         | 1 40  |
| Edward Libby, “ “ “   | 2 00  |
| W. H. Snell, “ “ “  | 1 40  |
| Geo. T. Richards, labor,                                      | 6 80  |
| LeGrow Bros., lumber and posts,                               | 11 90 |
| Silas O. Skillin, labor,                                      | 4 00  |
| Fred W. Skillin, labor,                                       | 2 00  |
| Bradley J. Adams, labor,                                      | 1 00  |
| N. D. Eustes, tile, labor, etc.,                              | 5 81  |
| R. H. Whitney, plank, 1894,                                   | 1 50  |
| F. B. Blanchard, labor, bills paid, etc.,                     | 19 28 |
| W. Scott Pride, smith work,                                   | 18 93 |
| C. H. Lord, labor, Miller's bridge and ledge,                 | 78 40 |
| John H. Anderson, labor, Miller's bridge and ledge,           | 70 80 |
| Leon M. Winslow, labor, Miller's bridge,                      | 46 50 |
| F. O. Whitehouse, labor, Miller's bridge,                     | 48 50 |
| S. M. Latham, labor, Miller's bridge and ledge,               | 73 50 |
| J. L. Whitehouse, labor with team, Miller's bridge and ledge, | 89 00 |



|  |          |          |
|--|----------|----------|
| Hans J. H. Smith, labor, Miller's<br>bridge, | 24 50    |          |
| Deering, Winslow & Co., stringers,           | 25 40    |          |
| N. H. Leighton, hauling stone,               | 6 00     |          |
| S. Huston, Jr., " "                          | 20 00    |          |
| R. H. Whitney, " "                           | 14 00    |          |
| Noyes & Pearson, nails, powder, etc.,        | 4 43     |          |
| Grenville Hall, stone,                       | 4 00     |          |
| Geo. W. Knight, labor,                       | 2 60     |          |
| W. H. Merrill, " "                           | 2 80     |          |
| Balance against appropriation,               |          | 98 62    |
|  | <hr/>    | <hr/>    |
|  | \$701 62 | \$701 62 |

## SNOW BILLS.

|                           |         |          |
|---------------------------|---------|----------|
| Appropriation,            |         | \$300 00 |
| J. S. Hobbs,              | \$ 2 00 |          |
| Robt. and S. H. Anderson, | 7 20    |          |
| C. P. Huston,             | 3 00    |          |
| G. H. Huston,             | 1 50    |          |
| Amos Marston,             | 1 90    |          |
| Richard Mountfort,        | 50      |          |
| Babb Bros.,               | 1 30    |          |
| Thomas Fabrin,            | 1 70    |          |
| A. C. Miller,             | 5 80    |          |
| Fred Hansen,              | 2 00    |          |
| C. J. Fries,              | 2 80    |          |
| C. B. Lansen,             | 3 00    |          |
| N. B. Jensen,             | 60      |          |
| E. W. Winslow,            | 90      |          |
| A. F. Winslow,            | 16 80   |          |
| H. J. Merrill,            | 4 10    |          |
| Stephen Dolley,           | 1 70    |          |
| C. K. Richards,           | 40      |          |
| Niels Andersen,           | 2 20    |          |
| S. F. Munck,              | 70      |          |

|                    |       |
|--------------------|-------|
| A. F. McDonald,    | 1 00  |
| G. H. Hill,        | 70    |
| W. S. Dresser,     | 1 10  |
| N. B. Elliott,     | 2 20  |
| A. O. Field,       | 13 20 |
| A. H. Marston,     | 1 20  |
| C. K. Richards,    | 80    |
| J. F. Williams,    | 80    |
| Grenville Hall,    | 2 40  |
| N. H. Leighton,    | 12 00 |
| W. G. Leighton,    | 1 60  |
| George Knight,     | 6 00  |
| F. O. J. Pride,    | 6 40  |
| Simon Chase,       | 60    |
| A. P. Anderson,    | 70    |
| K. C. Hansen,      | 3 25  |
| J. C. Hansen,      | 75    |
| L. M. Winslow,     | 3 50  |
| Reuben Sawyer,     | 3 05  |
| J. F. Forbes,      | 2 80  |
| H. K. Norton,      | 2 00  |
| Roland Leighton,   | 1 20  |
| Richard Roberts,   | 2 20  |
| W. R. Duff,        | 1 10  |
| C. C. Leighton,    | 1 40  |
| W. H. Snell,       | 3 40  |
| J. M. Leighton,    | 2 60  |
| R. M. Leighton,    | 1 00  |
| B. S. Huston,      | 1 20  |
| D. E. Leighton,    | 60    |
| Jesse W. Babbidge, | 2 40  |
| George H. Young,   | 1 40  |
| S. M. Latham,      | 4 20  |
| Elmer E. Carter,   | 3 00  |
| Charles Babbidge,  | 1 40  |
| J. B. Sommers,     | 2 00  |
| J. L. West,        | 5 10  |
| L. M. Ingersoll,   | 10 60 |

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|--------------------------|-------|
| H. D. Babbidge,          | 2 60  |
| P. Babbidge,             | 60    |
| E. Libby,                | 3 00  |
| Uriah Libby,             | 2 00  |
| Marcellus Leighton,      | 25    |
| R. C. Leighton,          | 1 45  |
| A. W. Shaw,              | 1 35  |
| Charles Lewis,           | 50    |
| Edward G. Libby, (1894), | 2 75  |
| B. J. Adams,             | 1 00  |
| S. O. Skillin,           | 2 50  |
| Leighton Bros.,          | 3 30  |
| A. J. Morgan,            | 3 20  |
| Jacob Brink,             | 1 15  |
| B. A. Hinck,             | 2 40  |
| J. L. Whitehouse,        | 5 80  |
| W. E. Winslow,           | 4 10  |
| F. O. Whitehouse,        | 1 35  |
| Hans J. H. Smith,        | 50    |
| E. E. Dearborn,          | 3 20  |
| U. G. Pride,             | 26 88 |
| B. F. Lunt,              | 6 90  |
| J. Wm. Merrill,          | 1 35  |
| W. H. Merrill,           | 3 90  |
| George T. Richards,      | 2 80  |
| D. F. Hamilton,          | 60    |
| W. P. Libby,             | 2 80  |
| Hans Nelson,             | 2 60  |
| John Wilson,             | 2 00  |
| J. H. Whitney,           | 4 80  |
| H. J. Adamson,           | 7 60  |
| Niels Anderson, Jr.,     | 1 30  |
| C. F. Rendall,           | 4 00  |
| Martin Iverson,          | 1 80  |
| H. F. Leighton,          | 4 20  |
| W. W. Eaton,             | 5 50  |
| Alexander Skillin,       | 1 00  |
| J. P. Aaskov,            | 2 00  |

|                                |              |           |                 |
|--------------------------------|--------------|-----------|-----------------|
| Fred Marston,                  | 13           | 30        |                 |
| Edgar H. Merrill,              | 3            | 00        |                 |
| Wilbur Libby,                  | 7            | 10        |                 |
| James Eaton,                   | 2            | 10        |                 |
| A. W. Shaw,                    | 2            | 40        |                 |
| J. F. Allen,                   | 1            | 18        |                 |
| P. P. Aaskov,                  | 1            | 20        |                 |
| Murdock McKennan,              |              | 60        |                 |
| John C. Connors,               | 1            | 20        |                 |
| A. F. Minott,                  | 8            | 80        |                 |
| J. L. West,                    | 7            | 20        |                 |
| L. G. Leighton,                | 1            | 90        |                 |
| George L. Hall,                | 5            | 00        |                 |
| L. G. Baker,                   | 2            | 60        |                 |
| W. E. Knight,                  | 1            | 80        |                 |
| Peter Jensen, 1893,            | 2            | 20        |                 |
| J. P. Jensen,                  | 5            | 60        |                 |
| Balance against appropriation, |              |           | 62 98           |
|                                | <u>\$362</u> | <u>98</u> | <u>\$362 98</u> |

## CONTINGENCIES.

|  |    |        |          |
|--|----|--------|----------|
| Appropriation,                         |    |        | \$500 00 |
| Southworth Bros., town reports,        | \$ | 30 60  |          |
| A. S. Noyes, office supplies,          |    | 1 68   |          |
| N. & H. B. Cleaves, legal advice, dis- |    |        |          |
| bursements and service in              |    |        |          |
| road case, 1893-94,                    |    | 294 11 |          |
| Thos. B. Mosher, blank books, etc.,    |    | 12 23  |          |
| Loring, Short & Harmon, bill book,     |    | 1 25   |          |
| A. H. Marston, labor on highway,       |    | 17 25  |          |
| J. T. Richards, " "                    |    | 4 08   |          |
| H. K. Norton, surveyor, "              |    | 50 60  |          |
| F. B. Blanchard, gravel, stamps, etc., |    | 6 97   |          |
| D. P. Young, labor on highway,         |    | 2 40   |          |
| S. M. Latham, " "                      |    | 4 20   |          |
| Joseph Staples, " "                    |    | 1 40   |          |

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|--|----|----------|
| William H. Leighton, labor on highway,               | 2  | 00       |
| J. L. West,  | “  | “ 7 50   |
| T. M. Lewis,   | “  | “ 3 00   |
| S. P. Murch,   | “  | “ 2 45   |
| A. J. Morgan,  | “  | “ 3 30   |
| B. A. Hinck,   | “  | “ 33 40  |
| J. L. Whitehouse,                                    | “  | “ 6 53   |
| U. R. Pride,   | “  | “ 6 70   |
| Geo. T. Richards,                                    | “  | “ 2 55   |
| W. H. Merrill,                                       | “  | “ 14 20  |
| H. J. Merrill,                                       | “  | “ 2 00   |
| Stephen Dolley,                                      | “  | “ 1 45   |
| Oren Sawyer,   | “  | “ 60     |
| F. W. Merrill,                                       | “  | “ 4 20   |
| H. F. Leighton,                                      | “  | “ 5 80   |
| J. P. Aaskov,  | “  | “ 3 49   |
| H. J. Merrill, Staples' Point Bridge hill,           | 7  | 02       |
| Oren Sawyer,   | “  | “ “ 3 80 |
| C. K. Richards,                                      | “  | “ “ 7 00 |
| Stephen Dolley,                                      | “  | “ “ 4 00 |
| F. W. Merrill,                                       | “  | “ “ 4 80 |
| J. M. Pettengill, gravel,                            | 1  | 80       |
| G. Fred Murch, mortgage list,                        | 1  | 00       |
| Noyes Printing Co.,                                  | 1  | 50       |
| Daniel D. Chenery, sealer,                           | 6  | 18       |
| R. S. Norton, postage, measures, ex-<br>press, etc., | 4  | 92       |
| Lakeside Press, check book,                          | 3  | 00       |
| E. L. Stanwood & Co.,                                | 2  | 25       |
| Wilbur Libby, highway, 1894,                         | 26 | 80       |
| John M. Stewart,                                     | “  | “ 3 82   |
| William E. Graham,                                   | “  | “ 3 78   |
| J. A. P. Merrill,                                    | “  | “ 5 16   |
| Lorenzo Leighton,                                    | “  | “ 6 00   |
| N. Leighton,   | “  | “ 4 00   |
| M. McKennon,   | “  | “ 1 20   |
| Ira E. Knight,                                       | “  | “ 1 50   |

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|--|--------------|-----------|-----------------|
| Frank E. Gammon, highway,              | 43           | 12        |                 |
| Lemuel S. Huston, “                    | 27           | 55        |                 |
| H. P. Marston, “                       | 1            | 85        |                 |
| Lefavor Printing Co.,                  | 1            | 50        |                 |
| William H. Snell, Rep. Road Machine,   | 3            | 00        |                 |
| Eastern Argus adv. non-res. taxes,     | 10           | 00        |                 |
| H. K. Norton, dinners for county com., | 2            | 50        |                 |
| Silas Skillin, “ “ “                   | 18           | 00        |                 |
| E. F. Robinson, birth and death cert., | 6            | 25        |                 |
| H. M. Moulton, “ “                     | 2            | 00        |                 |
| F. F. Hall, sheep killed by dogs,      | 9            | 00        |                 |
| Moses G. Blake, “ “                    | 5            | 00        |                 |
| Howard Hicks, “ “                      | 22           | 00        |                 |
| Richard Roberts, “ “                   | 22           | 00        |                 |
| Hollis F. Leighton, “                  | 4            | 00        |                 |
| Balance against appropriation,         |              |           | 303 34          |
|  | <u>\$803</u> | <u>34</u> | <u>\$803 34</u> |

### OUT POOR AND INSANE.

|   |              |           |                 |
|---|--------------|-----------|-----------------|
| Appropriation,                          |              |           | \$300 00        |
| J. W. Babbidge, opening and filling     |              |           |                 |
| grave, Tolman, 1894,                    | \$           | 3 00      |                 |
| F. A. Palmer, attending funeral Tolman, |              | 2 00      |                 |
| Maine Insane Hospital, Mary Leighton,   | 121          | 61        |                 |
| Balance in favor of appropriation,      |              | 173 39    |                 |
|   | <u>\$300</u> | <u>00</u> | <u>\$300 00</u> |



# Town Farm Account.

## STATEMENT.

Paid C. H. Lord, balance salary, 1894, \$50 00

### TOWN FARM IN ACCOUNT WITH TOWN.

Appropriation, \$300 00

Paid Noyes & Pearson, farm and household supplies, \$190 81

C. B. Richards & Co., farm and household supplies, 85 68

Geo. D. Sargent, farm and household supplies, 91 03

Sweetser & Osgood, supplies, 73 10

Huston Bros., sawing lumber, 1894, 4 73

Neils Thim, labor haying, 23 00

F. O. Bailey, harness, 18 00

E. F. Robinson, M. D., medical attendance Winning and Merrill, 23 75

E. P. Aaskor, on salary, 150 00

E. P. Aaskor, due on salary, 100 00

H. Fabricious, 33 00

Supplies bought and bills paid by Supt., 100 69

By 871½ lbs. butter sold, \$209 15

57 doz. eggs, 10 91

515 lbs. pork, 30 90

67½ gal. sour milk, 6 75

30¼ bush. potatoes, 16 10

51 doz. sweet corn, 3 64

7½ bbls. cabbage, 4 60

4½ bbls. squash, 4 65

3 bush. carrots, 1 50

4 bush. turnips, 1 65

1 bush. peas, 95

290.80

|  |                      |
|--|----------------------|
| 2¼ bush. string beans,   | 1 20                 |
| Cucumbers,   | 90                   |
| 1½ bush. beets,  | 75                   |
| 1 bush. beans,   | 1 80                 |
| 2 calves,  | 4 00                 |
| 1 cow,   | 22 00                |
| 2 bush. barley,  | 1 50                 |
| 7½ lbs. chicken,   | 1 13                 |
| 1 bush. tomatoes,  | 40                   |
| 9,115 bls. hay, crop of 1894,                                      | 54 67                |
| Fresh hay,   | 11 00                |
| Labor off farm on bridges, culverts<br>and highways, and material, | 109 35               |
| Due for board of horse,  | 9 00                 |
| Additions to farm and household goods,                             | 18 00                |
| Balance against appropriation,                                     | 47 29                |
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|  | \$843 69    \$843 69 |

Greatest number of inmates 3; present number 3; John A. Winning, Robt. P. Jones and Chas. P. Merrill.

An inventory of stock etc., at the farm Feb, 15th, shows 4 cows, 1 heifer calf, 1 horse, 2 pigs, 31 hens, 10 tons of hay, 20 cords wood, 150 fence stakes, 12 tons ice, 20 bush. potatoes. A complete list of supplies, farming and bridge tools, on file at town office.

Lodging for tramps 13, meals 29.

#### SCHOOL DISTRICT REBATE.

|                                 |                          |
|---------------------------------|--------------------------|
| Amount to be remitted by Coll.  |                          |
| per last report,                | \$1,738 30               |
| Amount to be remitted by Town   |                          |
| orders per last report,         | 22 03                    |
| Amount remitted by Coll.,       | \$1,634 28               |
| Amount remitted by Town orders, | 22 03                    |
| Bal. to be remitted by Coll.,   | \$104 02                 |
|                                 | <hr/>                    |
|                                 | \$1,760 33    \$1,760 33 |

## TAXES ABATED.

|                                       |         |
|---------------------------------------|---------|
| On lists of J. E. Merrill Coll. 1893, | \$30 89 |
| On lists of J. E. Merrill Coll. 1894, | 72 00   |
| On lists of W. K. Swett Coll. 1895,   | 7 79    |

## SCHOOLS.

|   |            |
|---|------------|
| Amount balance from last report,                    | \$1,176 87 |
| Appropriation,                                      | 2,000 00   |
| State mill and bank tax,                            | 1,083 45   |
| W. H. Winslow, fuel, 1894,                          | \$ 20 20   |
| H. B. Mountfort, teaching, 1894,                    | 110 00     |
| Stephen S. Lowell, teaching and supplies, 1894,     | 100 80     |
| Grace G. Pride, teaching, 1894,                     | 88 00      |
| Cora B. Leighton, “ “                               | 88 00      |
| Lillian E. Lowell, “ “                              | 80 00      |
| Stella A. Purrington, “ “                           | 90 75      |
| Emmie E. Winslow, “ “                               | 99 00      |
| Grace L. Brackett, “ “                              | 71 50      |
| Bessie Lowell, “ “                                  | 10 00      |
| H. J. Merrill, “ “                                  | 143 00     |
| D. W. Lunt, “ “                                     | 54 00      |
| M. Gertrude Mason, “ “                              | 126 00     |
| Grenville Hall, fuel, 1894,                         | 8 00       |
| Huston Bros, “ “                                    | 2 25       |
| J. Wm. Merrill, “ “                                 | 17 25      |
| C. H. Lord, clearing funnel,                        | 1 00       |
| Benj. Verrill, cleaning house, funnel, vault, etc., | 4 00       |
| M. O. Huston, fuel,                                 | 29 00      |
| Noyes & Pearson, supplies,                          | 1 68       |
| Benj. L. Jones, fuel,                               | 32 75      |
| C. B. Richards & Co., supplies,                     | 5 28       |
| Ernest W. Winslow,                                  | 11 50      |
| Christine Hansen, cleaning house,                   | 3 00       |
| A. G. Leighton, conveying scholars,                 | 116 00     |

|  |        |
|--|--------|
| Harry E. Merrill, sawing wood,           | 2 63   |
| L. M. Ingersoll, conveying scholars,     | 115 50 |
| L. L. Brooks, teaching,                  | 75 00  |
| City Treas., Deering, tuition,           | 4 50   |
| D. W. Lunt, teaching and supplies,       | 87 25  |
| Mary L. Bickford, teaching and supplies, | 90 15  |
| Alice G. Knight, teaching,               | 30 00  |
| M. Gertrude Mason, “                     | 90 00  |
| Grace G. Pride, “                        | 72 50  |
| Christine Smith, “                       | 8 00   |
| H. J. Merrill, “                         | 99 00  |
| Cora B. Leighton, teaching and cleaning, | 82 00  |
| Margaret E. Merrill, teaching,           | 90 00  |
| Stella A. Purrington, “                  | 75 00  |
| S. F. Chase, fuel,                       | 2 00   |
| C. J. Pries, “                           | 15 50  |
| O. M. & D. W. Nash, funnel,              | 2 20   |
| J. L. Hammett, supplies,                 | 4 90   |
| D. W. Lunt, teaching,                    | 125 00 |
| Mary L. Bickford, “                      | 99 00  |
| H. B. Mountfort, “                       | 110 00 |
| H. J. Merrill, “                         | 121 00 |
| Grace G. Pride, “                        | 96 00  |
| Ira Winn, fuel,                          | 13 50  |
| Cora B. Leighton, teaching,              | 88 00  |
| S. A. Purrington, “                      | 82 50  |
| L. L. Brooks, “                          | 93 50  |
| Edith M. Brooks, “                       | 82 50  |
| G. D. Sargent, supplies,                 | 50     |
| Willie N. Starling, sawing wood,         | 2 00   |
| George Rose, fuel,                       | 1 75   |
| A. F. Winslow, conveying scholars,       | 21 00  |
| F. F. Hall, fuel,                        | 13 25  |
| W. H. Barker, fuel,                      | 7 25   |

|                                |            |            |
|--------------------------------|------------|------------|
| Grace G. Pride, teaching,      | 76 50      |            |
| H. B. Mountfort, “             | 100 00     |            |
| L. L. Brooks, “                | 90 00      |            |
| Edith M. Brooks, “             | 75 00      |            |
| Grace L. Brackett, “           | 80 00      |            |
| Lizzie M. Colley, “            | 80 00      |            |
| Wilson Nevens, “               | 110 00     |            |
| Stella A. Purrington, “        | 79 20      |            |
| Tuition of 1894 uncollectable, | 7 00       |            |
| Balance due to schools,        | 353 78     |            |
|                                | <hr/>      | <hr/>      |
|                                | \$4,260 32 | \$4,260 32 |

## TEXT BOOKS.

|                                 |         |         |
|---------------------------------|---------|---------|
| Appropriation,                  |         | \$50 00 |
| Received from sale of books,    |         | 2 02    |
| Am. Humane and Ed. Society,     | \$10 00 |         |
| Pub. School Printing Co.        | 2 80    |         |
| D. P. Heath & Co.,              | 9 00    |         |
| G. T. R. R. Frt. and Can. Exp., | 4 10    |         |
| Silver, Burdett & Co.,          | 6 00    |         |
| William Ware & Co.,             | 4 92    |         |
| Am. Book Co.,                   | 12 00   |         |
| Balance favor appropriation,    | 3 20    |         |
|                                 | <hr/>   | <hr/>   |
|                                 | \$52 02 | \$52 02 |

By a vote of the School Committee a change has been made in some series of text books, and bills contracted and now outstanding, amounting to about \$100.

## REPAIRS ON SCHOOL HOUSES.

|                                       |         |          |
|---------------------------------------|---------|----------|
| Appropriation,                        |         | \$100 00 |
| F. P. Marston, hauling shingles 1894, | \$ 1 00 |          |
| L. G. Leighton, labor 1894,           | 75      |          |
| Wilson Nevens, seats,                 | 29 75   |          |
| R. W. Lunt, labor and material,       | 16 50   |          |

|                                    |          |          |
|------------------------------------|----------|----------|
| LeGrow Bros., lumber,              | 2 60     |          |
| Earl W. Wilson, banking house,     | 1 00     |          |
| Peter L. Lawsen,     “     “       | 2 00     |          |
| James Eaton, labor and material,   | 4 50     |          |
| W. H. Winslow, lock and labor,     | 2 75     |          |
| O. D. Bucknam, labor,              | 1 25     |          |
| M. R. Pride, lock and labor,       | 1 00     |          |
| Noyes & Pearson, material,         | 2 35     |          |
| Balance in favor of appropriation, | 34 55    |          |
|                                    | <hr/>    | <hr/>    |
|                                    | \$100 00 | \$100 00 |

### SUMS RECOMMENDED TO BE RAISED.

|                         |            |
|-------------------------|------------|
| Schools,                | \$2,000 00 |
| Free High School,       | 300 00     |
| Highways,               | 2,000 00   |
| Poor,                   | 300 00     |
| Out Poor and Insane,    | 300 00     |
| Bridges and Culverts,   | 500 00     |
| Town Officers,          | 500 00     |
| Collectors' Percentage, | 525 00     |
| Snow,                   | 400 00     |
| Contingencies,          | 500 00     |
| Interest,               | 300 00     |
| Text Books,             | 300 00     |
| Repair of Schoolhouses, | 400 00     |
| Outstanding Notes,      | 2,000 00   |



## Financial Condition of the Town.

### ASSETS.

|                                    |    |       |    |            |
|------------------------------------|----|-------|----|------------|
| Due from A. S. Noyes, Coll., 1892, | \$ | 27    | 39 |            |
| J. E. Merrill, " 1893,             |    | 3     | 82 |            |
| J. E. Merrill, " 1894,             |    | 234   | 88 |            |
| W. K. Swett, " 1895,               |    | 4,532 | 53 |            |
| State Treas.—Seal bounty,          |    | 32    | 00 |            |
| "    "    dog licenses,            |    |       |    |            |
| estimated,                         |    | 120   | 00 |            |
| "    "    and others,              |    |       |    |            |
| Sheep loss,                        |    | 62    | 00 |            |
| Tax deeds,                         |    | 75    | 00 |            |
| Cash in treas. hands,              |    | 1,110 | 57 | \$6,198 19 |

### LIABILITIES.

|                                      |  |       |    |  |
|--------------------------------------|--|-------|----|--|
| F. B. Blanchard, Assr., Selectman,   |  |       |    |  |
| etc.,                                |  | \$122 | 00 |  |
| D. W. Lunt, " "                      |  | 93    | 00 |  |
| H. J. Merrill, " "                   |  | 101   | 25 |  |
| A. S. Noyes, Town Clerk,             |  | 17    | 95 |  |
| A. S. Noyes, Coll. percentage, 1892, |  | 19    | 46 |  |
| J. E. Merrill, " " 1894,             |  | 349   | 05 |  |
| Ralph S. Norton, Treasurer,          |  | 75    | 00 |  |

|                               |          |            |
|-------------------------------|----------|------------|
| D. W. Lunt, Supt.,            | 95 00    |            |
| Schools,                      | 353 78   |            |
| School District Rebate,       | 104 02   |            |
| Outstanding orders,           | 101 46   |            |
| Outstanding bills, estimated, | 150 00   |            |
| Outstanding town notes,       | 6,000 00 | \$7,581 97 |

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Liabilities over assets, \$1,383 78

|                  |   |                           |
|------------------|---|---------------------------|
| F. B. BLANCHARD, | } | <i>Selectmen,</i>         |
| D. W. LUNT,      |   | <i>Assessors and</i>      |
| H. J. MERRILL,   |   | <i>Overseers of Poor.</i> |

FALMOUTH, MAINE, Feb. 15, 1896.

I hereby certify that I have examined the above accounts of the Selectmen and Overseers of the Poors, for the year 1895-6, and find them correctly cast and properly vouched.

GEORGE D. YORK, *Auditor.*

# Treasurer's Report.

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## RECEIPTS.

|  |            |
|--|------------|
| Balance last report,   | \$1,222 07 |
| From James E. Merrill, Col. 1893,  | 74 20      |
| James E. Merrill, " 1894,  | 2,845 10   |
| Walter K. Swett, " 1895,   | 5,029 80   |
| Swan & Barrett, for demand<br>note, with int. at rate of<br>4% (March 15, 1895), | 2,000 00   |
| Swan & Barrett, for demand<br>note, with int. at rate of<br>4% (June 5, 1895),   | 1,000 00   |
| Swan & Barrett, for demand<br>note with int. at rate of<br>5% (Feb. 8, 1896),    | 3,000 00   |
| Henry P. Dewey, for 12 mos.<br>note with int. at rate of<br>4½% (Jan. 10, 1896), | 1,000 00   |
| Town of Cumberland,  | 46 00      |
| Town Farm account,   | 264 81     |
| A. S. Noyes, Town Clerk, for<br>dog licenses,                                    | 148 00     |
| F. M. Simpson, State Treas-<br>urer, 1894 dog licenses re-<br>funded,            | 151 35     |

|  |                   |
|--|-------------------|
| F. M. Simpson, State Treasurer, School Fund and Mill |                   |
| Tax for year 1894,                                   | 1,092 71          |
| F. M. Simpson, State Treasurer, School Fund and Mill |                   |
| Tax for year 1895,                                   | 1,083 45          |
| School Tuition,                                      | 3 50              |
| Old bridge plank sold,                               | 5 00              |
| Non-resident taxes, 1894,                            | 53 04             |
| Tax deeds cancelled,                                 | 203 46            |
| Interest and charges on same,                        | 24 82             |
| J. Osgood, for use of derrick,                       | 3 00              |
| Text books sold,                                     | 2 02              |
| Portland Trust Co., interest on deposits,            | 6 18              |
|  | <hr/> \$19,258 51 |

## DISBURSEMENTS.

|   |                   |
|---|-------------------|
| Paid town orders,   | \$8,022 29        |
| (Jan. 10, 1896) Swan & Barrett demand note, dated Jan. 5, 1895, | 1,000 00          |
| (Feb. 8, 1896,) Swan & Barrett note dated Nov. 6, 1894,         | 3,500 00          |
| Swan & Barrett, interest on notes,                              | 263 16            |
| F. M. Simpson, State Treasurer, balance due on 1894 state tax,  | 1,592 71          |
| F. M. Simpson, State Treasurer, state tax for 1895, in full,    | 2,360 92          |
| F. M. Simpson, State Treasurer, dog license fees for 1895,      | 148 00            |
| D. D. Chenery, County Treasurer, County tax for 1895,           | 1,228 86          |
| Bounty on 32 seals,   | 32 00             |
| Cash now in Treasurer's hands,                                  | 1,110 57          |
|   | <hr/> \$19,258 51 |

## DESCRIPTION OF OUT-STANDING NOTES.

|  |            |
|--|------------|
| Note to Henry P. Dewey, dated Jan. 10, '96,<br>given for twelve months with interest at<br>rate of $4\frac{1}{2}$ per cent., | \$1,000 00 |
| Note to Swan & Barrett, dated Mar. 15, '95, on<br>demand,  | 2,000 00   |
| Note to Swan & Barrett, dated Feb. 8, '96, on<br>demand,   | 3,000 00   |

The demand loans held by Swan & Barrett were bearing interest at the rate of 4 per cent. per annum until Jan. 9, last, when they advanced the rate to 5 per cent., owing to the higher rates prevailing in the money market. These gentlemen assure me that the rate will be reduced to 4 per cent. again just as soon as the present stringency is relaxed.

Respectfully submitted,

RALPH S. NORTON, *Treasurer*,

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FALMOUTH, ME., Feb. 15, 1896.

I hereby certify that I have examined the above accounts of Ralph S. Norton, Treasurer of Falmouth, for the year 1895-'96, and find them correctly cast and properly vouched, and find in his hands \$1,110.57.

GEO. D. YORK, *Auditor*.

# DEATHS.

IN THE TOWN OF FALMOUTH FROM JAN. 1 TO DEC. 31, 1895.

- Jan. 4. Lelia Cobb, aged 8 yrs., 9 mos.  
 4. Jane Morse Barber, aged 88 yrs. 10 mos. 11 days.  
 10. Addie Cobb, aged 11 years.  
 22. Archeleus Lewis, aged 82 yrs., 9 mos.  
 26. Margaret Emery, aged 90 yrs., 5 mos., 11 days.
- Feb. 11. Ada L. Blanchard, aged 12 yrs., 9 mos.  
 21. Ann A. Lunt, aged 75 yrs.
- March 5. Kavene S. A. Bruns, aged 43 yrs. 9 mos. 20 dys.
- May 9. Lida May Libby, aged 7 days.  
 31. George D. C. Schniedegarrrd, aged 11 mos.
- June 8. John P. Morrison, aged 56 yrs., 9 mos., 1 day.  
 15. Elizabeth Hobbs, aged 75 yrs.  
 30. Lizzie Blethen, aged 38 yrs., 1 mo.
- July 7. Charles H. Rich, aged 62 yrs., 8 mos., 3 days.  
 9. Samuel Williams, aged 80 yrs., 1 mo., 11 dys.
- Aug. 9. Jensina C. Jensen, aged 17 yrs., 7 mos., 27 dys.
- Sept. 1. Benjamin Conant, aged 6 yrs., 11 mos., 13 dys.  
 2. Christian Goesen, aged 4 mos., 1 day.  
 10. Frederick Marston, aged 5 mos.  
 15. Donald H. McLean, aged 7 mos., 18 days.  
 30. John Noyes, aged 85 yrs., 10 mos., 2 days.
- Oct. 11. Ann H. Young, aged 66 yrs., 11 mos,  
 21. Joseph M. Pettengill, aged 66 yrs.
- Nov. 17. Alice May Thurlow, aged 8 mos. 20 days.  
 28. Dora M. Noyes, aged 33 yrs., 7 mos.
- Dec. 8. Blanche Irish, aged 38 yrs., 4 mos., 11 days.  
 14. Jennie S. Dearborn, aged 45 yrs., 3 mos., 8 dys.  
 19. Emily Merrill, aged 30 yrs., 5 mos.

ARTHUR S. NOYES, *Town Clerk.*



# SCHOOL REPORT.

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Whole number of scholars, 436.

Total length of each school, 31 weeks.

## *To the Citizens of Falmouth:*

It becomes our duty to take a retrospective survey of our schools for the past year. It is with pleasure that we can report them a success, and we feel justified in saying that money raised for their support has been given profitable returns. None but experienced teachers have been employed, and, in most instances, those who have had previous experience in town, and their work proved satisfactory.

It has been recommended from time to time by former Supervisors that "A Course of Study for Ungraded Schools" be outlined and adopted. We have tried the experiment the past year, and, while we are not prepared to say that it has been a perfect success, yet we are of the opinion that it is a step in the right direction and that another year will demonstrate greater results. One great fault in the past in our common schools, has been the eagerness of pupils to take up higher branches before the common branches were thoroughly mastered, and parents have encouraged this error.

Two written examinations have been given the second and third year grades during the year, and the scholars have done themselves and their teachers credit. At the last examination five ranked 100 in arithmetic and language and only ten fell below 50% : the general average being 80%.

We deem it advisable as a matter of encouragement to insert the names of those who have not been absent for the year in this report.

The advisability of maintaining one or more free high schools will be brought before you for your consideration.

While other towns have been taking advantage of this law for several years, the tax payers of our town have been putting their hands in their pockets and helping pay for their support without asking for an equivalent. Can we afford to do this? The time has come when a high school, free to all, seems a necessity. Let us have it and keep our children within the borders of our own town, until they get beyond what we can give them.

Parents, we again urge upon you to bear in mind the responsibility that rests upon you. Visit our schools oftener. We are always glad to see you.

In conclusion, we wish to thank the many who have co-operated with us in this work; and while we cannot cater to the wishes of each individual, yet we have tried to conscientiously perform the duties incumbent upon us in such a manner that the good of the majority and the welfare of our public schools should be promoted.

Respectfully submitted,

DANIEL W. LUNT, *Supt.*

FALMOUTH, February 18, 1896.

PUPILS WHO HAVE NOT BEEN ABSENT FOR THE YEAR.

No. 2. Fitz E. Sargent, Horace M. Sargent.

No. 3. Inez W. Bucknam, George Bucknam, Charles Bucknam.

No. 5. Willis Adams, Alice G. Wilson.

No. 6. Lester N. Winslow, Arthur B. Lausen.

No. 7. Julia Winslow, Fenwick Winslow.

No. 12. Nellie M. Leighton, Ellis F. Leighton, Walter Leighton.

| No. of School. | Name of Teacher.   | Term.  | Whole Attendance.                | Average Attendance.              | Wages per Month.                       | Remarks.                                 |
|----------------|--|--|----------------------------------|----------------------------------|--|--|
| 1              | Lucretia L. Brooks,<br>Edith M. Brooks,  | Spring<br>Fall<br>Winter                             | 18<br>15<br>13                   | 17½<br>13<br>10                  | \$30<br>30<br>30                       | Highly satisfactory.                     |
| 2              | M. Gertrude Mason,<br>Lucretia L. Brooks,  | Spring<br>Fall<br>Winter                             | 25<br>28<br>31                   | 20<br>27<br>24                   | 36<br>36<br>36                         | Successful.<br>Excellent work.           |
| 3              | Henry J. Merrill,<br>“   | Spring<br>Fall<br>Winter                             | 55<br>53<br>49                   | 45<br>45<br>44                   | 44<br>44<br>44                         | Still successful.                        |
| 4              | Grace L. Brackett,   | Spring   | 25                               | 22                               | 32                                     | Progressive year.                        |
| 5              | { May L. Bickford, Prin.,<br>Alice G. Knight, Asst.,<br>Mary L. Bickford,<br>Alice G. Knight,<br>Wilson Nevens,<br>Daniel W. Lunt, | Spring<br>Fall<br>Winter<br>Spring<br>Fall<br>Winter | 56<br>59<br>40<br>25<br>26<br>25 | 42<br>44<br>31<br>23<br>22<br>22 | 36<br>12<br>36<br>12<br>44<br>40<br>40 | Faithful work.                           |
| 6              | “  | Spring   | 42                               | 42                               | 36                                     | Good results.                            |
| 7              | Margaret E. Merrill,<br>H. B. Mountfort,   | Spring<br>Fall<br>Winter                             | 37<br>38<br>24                   | 30<br>31<br>19                   | 36<br>40<br>40                         | Advancement.                             |
| 8              | Stella A. Purrington,<br>“   | Spring<br>Fall<br>Winter                             | 13<br>15<br>17                   | 12<br>12½<br>13                  | 32<br>32<br>33                         | Excellent methods: satisfactory results. |
| 9              | (Suspended for the year.)<br>Grace G. Pride,   | Spring<br>Fall<br>Winter                             | 22<br>23<br>22                   | 19<br>21<br>20                   | 28<br>32<br>34                         | All that could be desired.               |
| 10             | “  | Spring<br>Fall<br>Winter                             | 22<br>23<br>20                   | 20<br>22<br>15                   | 32<br>32<br>32                         | Profitable year.                         |
| 11             | (Suspended for the year.)<br>Cora B. Leighton,   | Spring<br>Fall<br>Winter                             | 22<br>23<br>20                   | 20<br>22<br>15                   | 32<br>32<br>32                         | One of the best.                         |
| 12             | Lizzie M. Colley,  | Spring<br>Fall<br>Winter                             | 22<br>23<br>20                   | 20<br>22<br>15                   | 32<br>32<br>32                         | Thorough work.<br>Good work.             |









ANNUAL REPORT

OF THE

TOWN OFFICERS

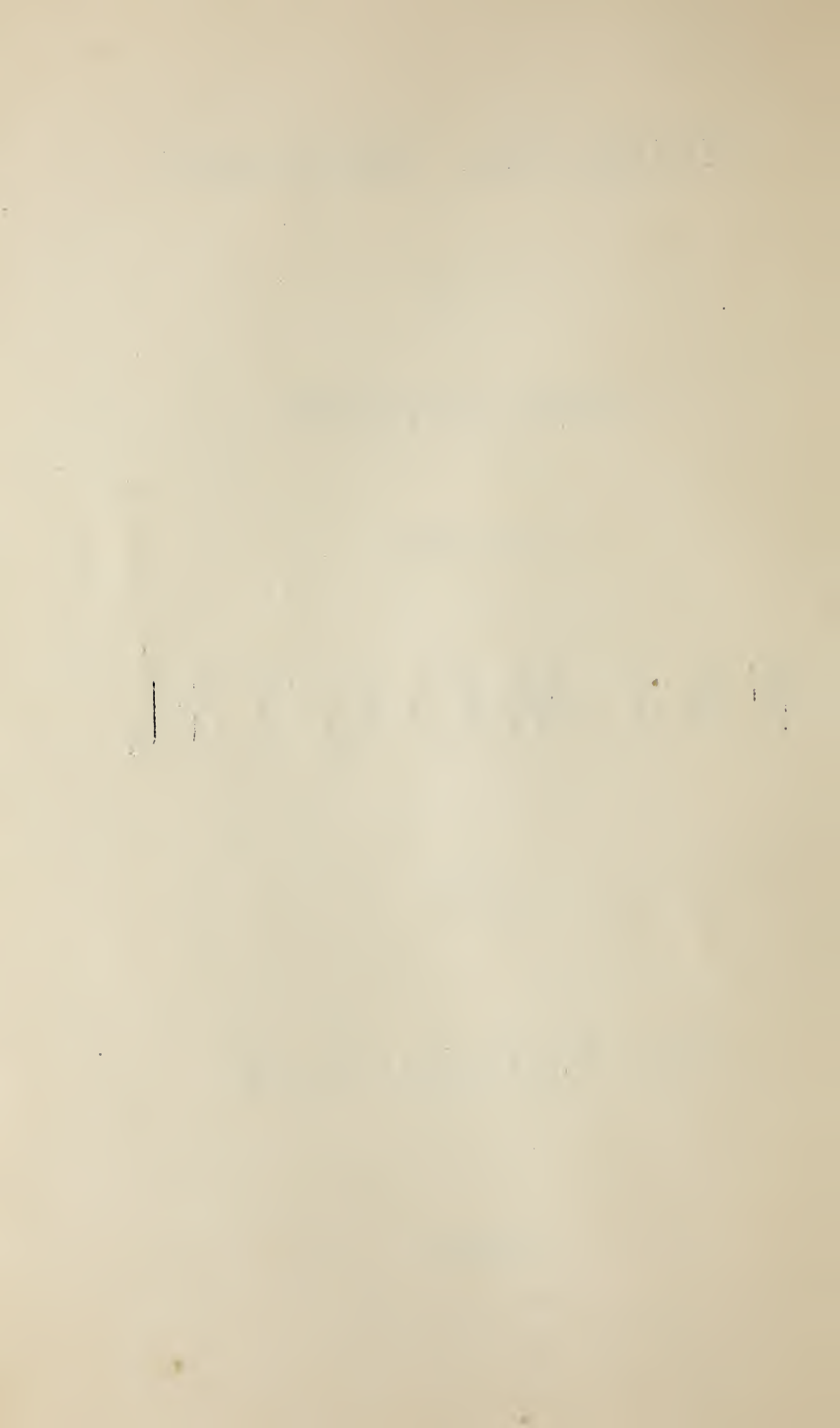
OF THE TOWN OF

FALMOUTH,

FOR THE

Fiscal Year ending Feb. 13th,

1897.



## Warrant for Town Meeting.

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*To Walter K. Swett, a Constable in the town of Falmouth,  
in the County of Cumberland.*

### GREETING :

In the name of the State of Maine, you are hereby required to notify and warn the inhabitants of said Town of Falmouth, qualified to vote in town affairs, to meet at the town house, in said town, on the first day of March, 1897, at nine o'clock in the forenoon, to act upon the following articles, to wit :

First. To choose a Moderator to preside at said meeting.

Second. To choose a clerk for the ensuing year.

Third. To hear and act upon the reports of Assessors, Selectmen, Overseers of Poor, Treasurer and Superintendent of Schools.

Fourth. To choose all other necessary Town Officers for the ensuing year.

Fifth. To see if the town will grant and raise such sums of money as may be necessary for the maintenance and support of schools, and the poor, and the repair of roads and bridges, and to defray all other necessary town charges for the ensuing year.

Sixth. To see what action the town will take in regard to the pay of town officers.

Seventh. To see what method the town will adopt to repair highways for the ensuing year.

Eighth. To see what the town will allow per hour for the labor of men, horses and oxen on the highways.

Ninth. To see if the town will vote to make a discount of one per cent. or more, on all taxes paid within a stated time, and raise money for the same.

Tenth. To see if the town will vote to charge interest, and how much per cent. on all taxes not paid within a stated time from the time of commitment.

Eleventh. To see if the town will vote to build a new schoolhouse in District No. 12.

Twelfth. To see if the town will vote to instruct the Superintendent of Schools not to hold a session in any of the schools in town on days of severe storms.

Thirteenth. To see what action the town will take to protect the clamming interests, and to make all necessary rules and regulations therefor.

Fourteenth. On petition of H. M. Sargent, L. N. Sweet, F. E. Sargent, William Griffen, Frank Moulton, George D. Sargent, H. C. Titcomb and J. B. Lord, : "To see if the town will vote to take a new valuation of the town, believing the one taken last year to be unfair and unjust.

Fifteenth. To see if the town will vote to reimburse the Falmouth Cottage Co. to the amount of \$18.00 for damage to their wharf in 1894.

Sixteenth. On petition of Algernon Bowie, Chas. K. Richards, J. T. Richards, Wm. P. Merrill, J. Wm. Merrill, J. M. Prince, and six others : "To see if the town will vote to instruct the Selectmen to locate the proposed Electric Railroad on the southeast side of the Foreside Road, so call, from Martin's Point Bridge, to, or past the house of Silas Skillin."

The Selectmen give notice that they will be in session for the purpose of correcting the list of voters in said town, and hearing and deciding upon the application of persons claiming to have their names entered upon said list, at the town office at eight o'clock in the forenoon, on the day of said meeting.

Given under hands this 16th day of Feb., A. D., 1897.

|                  |                    |
|------------------|--------------------|
| F. B. BLANCHARD, | } <i>Selectmen</i> |
| DANIEL W. LUNT,  |                    |
| ARTHUR S. NOYES, |                    |
|                  | } <i>of</i>        |
|                  | } <i>Falmouth.</i> |

# REPORT

OF THE

## Selectmen, Assessors and Overseers of the Poor.

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*To the Inhabitants of Falmouth:*

We, the undersigned Selectmen, Assessors and Overseers of poor, herewith submit our annual report for the municipal year ending February 13, 1897.

### VALUATION OF TOWN FOR THE YEAR 1896.

#### AT FAIR CASH VALUE.

|                           |           |           |
|---------------------------|-----------|-----------|
| Resident real estate,     | \$532,970 |           |
| Non-resident    “         | 172,330   |           |
|                           | <hr/>     | \$705,300 |
| Resident personal estate, | \$160,090 |           |
| Non-resident       “      | 14,535    |           |
|                           | <hr/>     | \$174,625 |
| Total value estates,      |           | <hr/>     |
|                           |           | \$879,925 |

Rate of taxation, \$1.60 on 100.

Number of polls, 392.

Poll tax, \$2.00.

Highway tax, .002 on the dollar.

## ASSESSMENTS FOR 1896.

|                                      |                   |
|--------------------------------------|-------------------|
| For State tax,                       | \$2,125 19        |
| County tax,                          | 1,228 86          |
| Schools,                             | 2,000 00          |
| Out Poor,                            | 300 00            |
| Poor,                                | 300 00            |
| Bridges and culverts,                | 500 00            |
| Town officers,                       | 500 00            |
| Collector's percentage,              | 525 00            |
| Snow,                                | 100 00            |
| Contingencies,                       | 500 00            |
| Interest,                            | 300 00            |
| Text books,                          | 300 00            |
| Repairs on school houses,            | 400 00            |
| Water closets,                       | 25 00             |
| Notes,                               | 2,000 00          |
| Iron bridge,                         | 2,500 00          |
| Abutments, iron bridge,              | 800 00            |
| Overlay including fractions,         | 458 99            |
| Delinquent highway, 1895,            | 247 60            |
| Supplementary.                       | 8 00              |
| Total amount committed to Collector, | <hr/> \$15,118 64 |



# ACCOUNT OF EXPENDITURES.

## TOWN OFFICERS

|   |                 |                 |
|---|-----------------|-----------------|
| Appropriation,  |                 | \$500 00        |
| F. B. Blanchard, service and ex-<br>penses, as Selectman, etc., | \$124 30        |                 |
| D. W. Lunt, service and expenses as<br>Selectman, etc.,         | 93 00           |                 |
| Henry J. Merrill, service and expenses<br>as Selectman, etc.,   | 101 25          |                 |
| Ralph S. Norton, Treasurer,                                     | 75 00           |                 |
| A. S. Noyes, Town Clerk,  | 17 95           |                 |
| D. W. Lunt, Superintendent of schools,                          | 97 00           |                 |
| J. Wm. Merrill, health officer,                                 | 1 50            |                 |
| Henry J. Merrill, Secretary Board of<br>Health,                 | 5 00            |                 |
| Henry J. Merrill, Moderator,                                    | 3 00            |                 |
| George D. York, Auditor,  | 2 00            |                 |
| D. W. Lunt, on account, 1896,                                   | 50 00           |                 |
| W. K. Swett, Constable, account of<br>dog license,              | 5 00            |                 |
| Balance against appropriation,                                  |                 | 75 00           |
|   | <u>\$575 00</u> | <u>\$575 00</u> |

## COLLECTOR'S PERCENTAGE.

|                                    |                 |                 |
|------------------------------------|-----------------|-----------------|
| Appropriation,                     |                 | \$525 00        |
| A. S. Noyes, 1892, in full,        | \$19 46         |                 |
| J. E. Merrill, 1894, “             | 349 05          |                 |
| W. K. Swett, 1895, in part,        | 75 00           |                 |
| Balance in favor of appropriation, | 81 49           |                 |
|                                    | <u>\$525 00</u> | <u>\$525 00</u> |

## HIGHWAYS.

|                                 |         |         |
|---------------------------------|---------|---------|
| Balance unexpended last report, |         | \$68 48 |
| H. A. Turner, labor, 1895,      | \$6 41  |         |
| A. H. Marston, " "              | 11 70   |         |
| Wilbur Libby, " "               | 13 00   |         |
| John M. Stewart, " "            | 1 03    |         |
| Wm. E. Graham, " "              | 1 46    |         |
| James Eaton, " "                | 5 03    |         |
| Oscar Reed, " "                 | 88      |         |
| John Aaskor, " "                | 1 59    |         |
| Mary McLean, " "                | 5 20    |         |
| J. F. Allen, " "                | 27      |         |
| Geo. E. Nickerson, " "          | 22 00   |         |
| Martin Iverson, " "             | 5 00    |         |
| Ira Knight, " "                 | 4 50    |         |
| O. C. Garsoe, " "               | 1 00    |         |
| Balance overdrawn,              |         | 10 59   |
|                                 | <hr/>   | <hr/>   |
|                                 | \$79 07 | \$79 07 |

## BRIDGES AND CULVERTS,

|  |         |          |
|--|---------|----------|
| Appropriation,                           |         | \$500 00 |
| F. B. Blanchard, labor and expense,      |         |          |
| '95,                                     | \$10 24 |          |
| H. J. Merrill, labor and expense, '95,   | 4 50    |          |
| D. W. Lunt, " " " "                      | 4 00    |          |
| W. E. Winslow, labor,                    | 8 00    |          |
| Leon M. Winslow, " "                     | 7 25    |          |
| J. L. Whitehouse, " "                    | 10 50   |          |
| H. J. H. Smith, " "                      | 1 00    |          |
| B. F. Lunt " "                           | 75      |          |
| A. G. Merrill, " "                       | 25      |          |
| G. W. Knight, " "                        | 1 00    |          |
| Harry Treadwell, " "                     | 1 00    |          |
| J. A. P. Merrill, care of lanterns, oil, |         |          |
| etc.,                                    | 1 75    |          |

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|--|---------|
| J. H. Anderson, labor,                           | \$ 4 00 |
| Wm. H. Merrill, “                                | 13 60   |
| Silas O. Skillin, “                              | 5 00    |
| C. H. Lord, “                                    | 44 45   |
| W. L. Mountfort, care of lanterns, oil,<br>etc., | 3 00    |
| Neils Hansen, labor,                             | 2 40    |
| Deering Winslow & Co., stringers,                | 57 80   |
| Noyes & Pearson, nails, steel; etc.,             | 11 63   |
| B. A. Hinck, labor,                              | 6 31    |
| H. M. Lowe, “                                    | 60      |
| A. C. Miller, labor, care of lanterns,<br>etc.,  | 21 20   |
| J. B. Sommers, labor,                            | 1 20    |
| Fred. M. Blake, hauling lumber,                  | 11 00   |
| J. Wm. Merrill, labor, Barber's cul-<br>vert,    | 42 32   |
| LeGrow, Bros., plank, etc.,                      | 93 64   |
| L. W. Huston labor,                              | 1 70    |
| O. C. Garsoe, “                                  | 2 00    |
| Geo. T. Richards, “                              | 3 30    |
| J. T. Richards, “                                | 7 50    |
| H. D. Richards, “                                | 5 00    |
| C. B. Richards & Co., nails,                     | 20      |
| Lawrence L. Miller, labor,                       | 1 60    |
| Fred. Marston, “                                 | 2 80    |
| C. G. Raymond, “                                 | 3 15    |
| Frank Jipson, “                                  | 3 50    |
| Thomas Laughlin, Co., blocks, rope,<br>etc.,     | 20 26   |
| F. C. Batchelder, labor,                         | 2 00    |
| F. O. Whitehouse, “                              | 11 00   |
| Augustus Flynn, “                                | 11 00   |
| Clarence Lincoln, “                              | 1 00    |
| L. L. Huston, “                                  | 2 60    |
| D. F. Palmer, hauling stringers, etc,            | 5 20    |
| Winslow & Co., tile,                             | 4 38    |

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|---|------------|------------|
| Frank Douglass, plank and timber,<br>1895-96,                               | \$ 38 20   |            |
| Huston Bros., filling at West Falmouth<br>Bridge, shutting down mill, etc., | 40 45      |            |
| J. H. Fabricious, labor,  | 21 00      |            |
| Amos Marston, “   | 13 00      |            |
| D. W. Lunt, account bridges,  | 5 00       |            |
| F. M. Swett, labor,   | 5 60       |            |
| Wm. R. Brown, “   | 5 60       |            |
| A. H. Marston,  | 2 50       |            |
| W. Scott Pride, smith work,   | 6 92       |            |
| Maine & N. H. Granite Co., material<br>and labor W. Falmouth bridge,        | 520 68     |            |
| Shaw & Leighton,  | 1 20       |            |
| F. B. Blanchard,  | 18 25      |            |
| A. S. Noyes,  | 4 10       |            |
| Fred. W. Skillin, labor,  | 2 00       |            |
| B. J. Adams, “  | 3 00       |            |
| Stephen O'Brien, “  | 1 00       |            |
| Town of Cumberland, use of derrick,   |            | 8 00       |
| Balance against appropriation,  |            | 637 08     |
|   | <hr/>      | <hr/>      |
|   | \$1,145 08 | \$1,145 08 |

## REBUILDING IRON BRIDGE.

|  |         |            |
|--|---------|------------|
| Appropriation,   |         | \$2,500 00 |
| G. T. Railway, freight,                                    | \$ 4 50 |            |
| G. H. Lunt, labor,   | 4 80    |            |
| L. H. Lunt, “  | 13 00   |            |
| N. P. Anderson, “  | 14 30   |            |
| Geo. G. Colley, “  | 5 20    |            |
| Elbridge Colley, “   | 39 50   |            |
| F. B. Blanchard, service, express,<br>freight and supplies | 35 89   |            |
| J. H. Anderson, labor,                                     | 17 50   |            |

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|---|----------|
| Fred. M. Blake, hauling iron,                                       | \$ 14 00 |
| C. H. Lord, labor,  | 56 70    |
| M. C. R. R., freight,   | 132 34   |
| Charles Muirhead, labor,  | 16 00    |
| B. A. Hinck, “  | 6 00     |
| L. C. Libby, “  | 11 00    |
| Thomas Laughlin Co., rope,  | 10 50    |
| Carl O. Lund, labor,  | 19 00    |
| Fred W. Skillin, “  | 12 00    |
| Charles Burnham, “  | 21 00    |
| John Twitchell, “   | 10 00    |
| E. J. Leighton, care of lanterns, oil,<br>etc.,                     | 9 40     |
| Henry G. Adamson, labor,  | 11 00    |
| American Express Co.,   | 75       |
| F. O. Whitehouse, labor,  | 2 00     |
| Wm. R. Duff, “  | 6 50     |
| O. M. Flye, “   | 8 00     |
| Noyes & Pearson, supplies,  | 6 08     |
| F. O. J. Bodge, timber, labor, etc., on<br>account,                 | 18 64    |
| N. H. Leighton, hauling iron  | 3 00     |
| N. S. Clifford, labor,  | 10 00    |
| Frank M. Clifford, labor,   | 4 00     |
| George W. Noyes, “  | 2 00     |
| Lemuel Rolfe, care of lanterns, oil,<br>and tending gate, 3 months, | 10 00    |
| B. W. Shaw, hauling iron,   | 4 00     |
| Richard Mountfort, labor,   | 4 00     |
| Houston Bros., plank, timber, etc.,                                 | 100 27   |
| D. F. Palmer, hauling, iron, etc.,                                  | 19 46    |
| W. Scott Pride, smith work,   | 7 30     |
| A. S. Noyes, service,   | 5 50     |
| Bert Hamilton, labor,   | 12 80    |
| Berlin Iron Bridge Co., as per con-<br>tract,                       | 1,882 23 |
| Due F. O. J. Bodge, bal. of account,                                | 8 74     |

|                                    |            |            |
|------------------------------------|------------|------------|
| Rec'd of A. R. Wright Co., timber, | \$ 22 77   |            |
| A. S. Noyes,                   “   | 1 80       |            |
| Huston Bros., iron,                | 3 96       |            |
| Plank, timber and iron used        |            |            |
| in other bridges, estimated,       | 30 00      |            |
| Balance against appropriation,     | 11 63      |            |
|                                    | <hr/>      | <hr/>      |
|                                    | \$2,570 16 | \$2,570 16 |

From above account we are able to make the following statement :

Total cost of removing wrecked bridge from  
river and freighting to East Berlin, Conn.,     \$487 00  
And from all other accounts we find the direct  
expense to the town on account of the flood  
of March 1, 1896, to be in round figures,     \$4,500 00  
To which credit should be allowed for the improved con-  
dition of the bridges and abutments.

#### RAISING ABUTMENTS OF IRON BRIDGE.

|  |          |          |
|--|----------|----------|
| Appropriation,                           |          | \$800 00 |
| Maine & N. H. Granite Co., stock and     |          |          |
| labor as per contract,                   | \$750 00 |          |
| Wm. H. Merrill, filling as per contract, | 50 00    |          |
|  | <hr/>    | <hr/>    |
|  | \$800 00 | \$800 00 |

#### SNOW.

|                  |         |          |
|------------------|---------|----------|
| Appropriation,   |         | \$100 00 |
| H. A. Turner,    | \$ 5 40 |          |
| A. H. Marston,   | 1 00    |          |
| John C. Connors, | 2 20    |          |
| W. L. Mountfort, | 1 10    |          |



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|----------------------|---------|
| R. W. Lunt,          | \$ 2 40 |
| A. G. Leighton,      | 1 90    |
| J. W. Babbidge,      | 2 40    |
| S. M. Latham,        | 1 20    |
| Fred Hansen,         | 2 10    |
| W. E. Winslow,       | 3 10    |
| C. P. Huston,        | 2 68    |
| L. S. Elliott,       | 2 80    |
| Wilbur Libby,        | 3 10    |
| John Aaskov,         | 50      |
| Peter Aaskov,        | 79      |
| Mary McLean,         | 50      |
| A. F. Winslow,       | 13 80   |
| Frank Moulton,       | 1 60    |
| George E. Nickerson, | 7 00    |
| F. E. Sargent,       | 1 00    |
| L. N. Swett,         | 1 20    |
| Geo. D. Sargent,     | 1 00    |
| J. B. Lord,          | 60      |
| F. A. Clough,        | 3 60    |
| Martin Iversen,      | 14 80   |
| Carl O. Lund,        | 1 70    |
| Canute Hansen,       | 2 40    |
| W. H. Snell,         | 2 55    |
| A. C. Miller,        | 1 05    |
| J. B. Sommers,       | 9 20    |
| H. G. Adamsen,       | 7 80    |
| U. R. Pride,         | 10 40   |
| T. J. Pearson,       | 2 00    |
| N. H. Leighton,      | 6 80    |
| Peter Lawsen,        | 3 20    |
| E. B. Leighton,      | 1 30    |
| Ernest W. Winslow.   | 1 60    |
| Rufus Leighton,      | 1 00    |
| Willie H. Leighton,  | 80      |
| Fred Marston,        | 5 20    |
| L. A. Olmstead,      | 5 40    |
| C. B. Ross,          | 1 80    |

|                                |          |          |
|--------------------------------|----------|----------|
| T. M. Lewis,                   | \$ 1 50  |          |
| J. W. Lincoln,                 | 1 00     |          |
| L. M. Winslow,                 | 2 80     |          |
| R. A. Looke,                   | 5 70     |          |
| A. F. Minott,                  | 14 80    |          |
| C. G. Purrington,              | 1 90     |          |
| J. P. Jensen,                  | 5 00     |          |
| Stephen Staples,               | 85       |          |
| Balance against appropriation, |          | 75 52    |
|                                | <hr/>    | <hr/>    |
|                                | \$175 52 | \$175 52 |

## CONTINGENCIES.

|   |          |          |
|---|----------|----------|
| Appropriation,  |          | \$500 00 |
| Delinquent highway, 1895,                                 |          | 247 60   |
| Southworth Bros., town reports,                           | \$ 27 20 |          |
| J. A. P. Merrill, highway,                                | 2 00     |          |
| N. & H. B. Cleaves, legal services,                       | 74 00    |          |
| J. Wm. Merrill, highway,                                  | 18 27    |          |
| Wm. H. Merrill, “   | 37 10    |          |
| W. L. Mountfort, “  | 3 20     |          |
| S. M. Latham, “   | 5 20     |          |
| S. W. & A. P. Babbidge, labor and<br>fuse,                | 4 90     |          |
| N. Leighton, highway,                                     | 6 00     |          |
| Fred Hansen, “  | 1 96     |          |
| Hale Leighton, “  | 5 60     |          |
| Paul Ricker, “  | 1 90     |          |
| Geo. W. Knight, labor and gravel,                         | 43 16    |          |
| L. S. Elliott, highway,                                   | 10 80    |          |
| Neils Hansen, “   | 11 12    |          |
| A. F. Winslow, “  | 7 20     |          |
| Geo. E. Nickerson, carting weights<br>and measures, 1895, | 50       |          |

|   |          |
|---|----------|
| Geo. D. Loring, valuation books and supplies, | \$ 19 23 |
| Noyes & Pearson, office supplies,             | 7 35     |
| Walter C. Carlisle, highway,                  | 6 60     |
| F. A. Clough, “                               | 43 20    |
| C. K. Richards “                              | 12 10    |
| J. E. Pearson, “                              | 3 40     |
| H. M. Lowe, “                                 | 4 00     |
| G. W. Leighton, “                             | 7 60     |
| C. H. Mitchell, repairs for road machine,     | 13 75    |
| F. B. Blanchard, telegram and gravel,         | 5 25     |
| J. P. Sommers, highway,                       | 1 40     |
| John Anderson, gravel, 1894 and '95,          | 25 15    |
| Stephen O'Brien, highway,                     | 10 75    |
| L. M. Ingersoll, “                            | 27 70    |
| Shaw & Leighton, “                            | 28 90    |
| U. R. Pride, “                                | 12 00    |
| N. H. Leightou, “                             | 42 20    |
| Geo. T. Richards, “                           | 5 32     |
| Martin Iversen, “                             | 24 50    |
| Transcript Printing Co., check list,          | 9 00     |
| R. H. Whitney, highway,                       | 4 80     |
| W. F. Babb, “                                 | 12 00    |
| Lemuel Rolfe, gravel, 1894, '95 and '96,      | 5 50     |
| Willie H. Leighton, highway,                  | 16 70    |
| Fred Marston, “                               | 19 60    |
| Daniel Knight, “                              | 7 00     |
| Frank Jipson, “                               | 10 00    |
| C. G. Raymond, “                              | 10 00    |
| Edward Libby, “                               | 6 05     |
| T. M. Lewis, “                                | 12 01    |
| Geo. W. Cobb, “                               | 9 46     |
| Charles M. Cole, gravel,                      | 10 00    |
| Huston Bros., highways,                       | 2 00     |
| J. L. Whitehouse, “                           | 3 60     |
| E. A. McLaughlin, “                           | 6 80     |
| F. O. J. Pride, “                             | 23 92    |

|                                       |          |          |
|---------------------------------------|----------|----------|
| J. L. West, highways,                 | \$ 39 39 |          |
| W. W. Libby, gravel, “                | 10 00    |          |
| E. F. Robinson, M. D., certificate    |          |          |
| births and deaths,                    | 7 50     |          |
| G. Fred Murch, mortgage list,         | 2 00     |          |
| A. F. Minott, highway,                | 1 97     |          |
| Miranda Hall, “                       | 7 25     |          |
| C. P. Huston, repair road machine,    | 2 00     |          |
| F. M. Swett, highway,                 | 15 35    |          |
| Wm. R. Brown, “                       | 15 30    |          |
| W. Scott Pride, smithwork,            | 3 50     |          |
| Edward Lewis, highway,                | 4 13     |          |
| A. J. Morgan, blasting ledge,         | 17 30    |          |
| C. H. Lord, rep. town house and shed, | 2 00     |          |
| H. M. Moulton, M. D., certificate     |          |          |
| births and deaths,                    | 1 25     |          |
| W. H. Winslow, dynamite and caps,     | 90       |          |
| Balance against appropriation,        |          | 111 19   |
|                                       | <hr/>    | <hr/>    |
|                                       | 858 79   | \$858 79 |

## SCHOOL DISTRICT REBATE.

|                               |          |          |
|-------------------------------|----------|----------|
| Amount to be remitted by Col. |          |          |
| per last report,              |          | \$104 02 |
| Amount remitted by Col.,      | \$104 02 |          |
|                               | <hr/>    | <hr/>    |
|                               | \$104 02 | \$104 02 |

## TAXES ABATED.

|                                       |         |
|---------------------------------------|---------|
| On lists of W. K. Swett, Col., 1895,  | \$23 15 |
| “           “           “       1896, | 16 72   |

## INTEREST.

|                                   |                   |                   |
|-----------------------------------|-------------------|-------------------|
| Appropriation, .                  |                   | \$300 00          |
| Int. on deposits,                 |                   | 33 60             |
| Interest paid on notes by Treas., | \$352 69          |                   |
| Balance against appropriation,    |                   | 19 09             |
|                                   | <u>          </u> | <u>          </u> |
|                                   | \$352 69          | \$352 69          |

## OUT POOR AND INSANE.

|   |                   |                   |
|---|-------------------|-------------------|
| Appropriation,  |                   | \$300 00          |
| Rec'd from town of Pownal,  |                   | 7 00              |
| E. F. Robinson, M. D., attend. Libby<br>family,   | \$ 7 00           |                   |
| Maine Insane Hospital, Mary Leighton,   | 135 33            |                   |
| A. S. Noyes, expense, case of Sabina<br>Foley, and taking Chas. F. Merrill<br>to hospital,      | 10 70             |                   |
| L. M. Ingersoll, transportation, Sabina<br>Foley,   | 2 00              |                   |
| F. B. Blanchard, expense, case of Sabina<br>Foley and taking Charles F. Merrill<br>to hospital. | 14 95             |                   |
| D. W. Lunt, account of tramps,  | 2 00              |                   |
| Balance in favor of appropriation,  | 135 02            |                   |
|   | <u>          </u> | <u>          </u> |
|   | \$307 00          | \$307 00          |

# Town Farm Account.

## STATEMENT.

|  |          |
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| Paid E. P. Aaskov, balance salary, 1895, | \$100 00 |
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## TOWN FARM IN ACCOUNT WITH TOWN.

|   |          |
|---|----------|
| Appropriation,  | \$300 00 |
| Noyes & Pearson, farm and household supplies,         | \$214 26 |
| C. B. Richards & Co., farm and household supplies,    | 102 56   |
| Geo. D. Sargent, farm and household supplies,         | 111 87   |
| Sweetser & Osgood, supplies,                          | 42 35    |
| Carl O. Lund, labor haying,                           | 26 75    |
| Dr. H. M. Moulton, cert. of insanity, C. F. Merrill,  | 5 00     |
| Dr. E. F. Robinson, cert. of insanity, C. F. Merrill, | 5 00     |
| W. H. Winslow, rep. express wagon,                    | 1 65     |
| Supplies bought and bills paid by Supt.,              | 105 73   |
| E. P. Aaskov, due salary,                             | 235 00   |
| By 1001 lbs. butter sold,                             | 250 25   |
| 196 doz. eggs,  | 38 93    |
| 428 lbs. pork,  | 25 68    |
| 34 " chicken,   | 3 67     |
| 73½ gals. sour milk,                                  | 7 35     |
| 62½ bush. potatoes,                                   | 32 60    |
| 148 doz. sweet corn,                                  | 9 42     |
| 22 bbls. cabbage,                                     | 13 80    |



|  |                      |
|--|----------------------|
| 16 $\frac{1}{4}$ bbls. squash,                                     | \$ 16 25             |
| 3 $\frac{1}{2}$ bush. peas,  | 3 00                 |
| 3     "     beans,   | 4 50                 |
| 6     "     string beans,  | 3 05                 |
| 10 qts. shelled     "  | 1 00                 |
| 5 bush. apples,  | 2 40                 |
| 5     "     beets,   | 2 60                 |
| 2     "     carrots,   | 1 00                 |
| 2     "     turnips,   | 95                   |
| 2 calves,  | 1 50                 |
| 1 pig,   | 2 00                 |
| 500 lbs. hay,  | 3 50                 |
| Bedding,   | 4 00                 |
| 3 bush. barley,  | 2 25                 |
| Old iron,  | 25                   |
| Labor off farm on bridges, culverts<br>and highways, and material, | 86 45                |
| Board of horse, 1895,  | 9 00                 |
| Town of Cumberland hauling derrick,                                | 2 00                 |
| Additions to household goods,                                      | 3 00                 |
| Balance against appropriation,                                     | 19 77                |
|  | <hr/>                |
|  | \$850 17    \$850 17 |

An inventory of stock, etc., at the farm Feb. 13th, shows: 4 cows, 1 heifer, 16 mos., 1 horse, 2 pigs, 52 hens, 7 tons hay, 16 cords wood, 150 fence stakes, 12 tons ice, 20 bush. potatoes,  $\frac{1}{2}$  bbl. cabbages,  $\frac{1}{2}$  bbl. apples, 3 bush. carrots, 1 bush. beets,  $\frac{1}{2}$  bbl. pork, 4 bush. beans, 3 bush. barley, 800 lbs. C. S. meal, 100 lbs. bran, 2 bush. meal,  $\frac{1}{2}$  bush. cr. corn,  $\frac{1}{2}$  bush. corn, 1 bush. oats,  $\frac{1}{2}$  bbl. flour, 16 lbs. butter, 5 lbs. sugar,  $\frac{1}{2}$  lb. tea,  $\frac{1}{2}$  gal. molasses, 5 gals. oil.

Complete list of farm and bridge tools on file in town office.

Greatest number of inmates 3; present number 1, John A. Winning. Robert P. Jones left in October. Charles F. Merrill returned to Hospital, Jan. 22.

Lodgings for tramps, 26, meals, 52.

No additions having been made to the bedding for several years, we find it old and much worn, and some provision should be made for a new supply.

## SCHOOLS.

|   |           |
|---|-----------|
| Amt. balance from last report,              | \$ 353 78 |
| Appropriation,                              | 2,000 00  |
| State mill and bank tax,                    | 1,088 07  |
| Tuition,                                    | 6 00      |
| Alice G. Knight, assistant, No. 5, 1895,    | \$ 30 00  |
| H. J. Merrill, teaching,                    | 121 00    |
| D. W. Lunt, " "                             | 100 00    |
| City of Deering, tuition,                   | 11 50     |
| C. B. Richards & Co., supplies,             | 1 30      |
| Silas O. Skillin, wood,                     | 2 75      |
| Sumner Barber, Trustee, rent,               | 50 00     |
| Geo. E. Nickerson, cleaning vault,          | 75        |
| J. L. West, wood,                           | 1 00      |
| May C. Morrill, teaching,                   | 72 00     |
| Lena E. Skillings, " "                      | 63 00     |
| Julia E. Merrill, " "                       | 67 50     |
| G. W. Nickerson, cleaning,                  | 4 25      |
| M. O. Huston, wood, 1895,                   | 4 75      |
| O. M. & D. W. Nash, 2 stoves, 1895-6,       | 18 00     |
| Stella A. Purrington, teaching,             | 67 50     |
| L. L. Brooks, " "                           | 81 00     |
| Edith M. Brooks, " "                        | 72 00     |
| Henry J. Merrill, " "                       | 80 00     |
| Grace G. Pride, " "                         | 72 00     |
| D. W. Lunt, " "                             | 72 00     |
| Grace L. Brackett, " "                      | 72 00     |
| Mary L. Bickford, " "                       | 90 00     |
| Noyes & Pearson, supplies,                  | 15 08     |
| N. H. Leighton, transportation of scholars, | 27 00     |
| Ellingwood Furniture Co., table,            | 3 75      |
| C. B. Richards & Co., supplies,             | 2 15      |
| Holden Pat. Book Cover Co.,                 | 8 50      |
| Fred M. Blake, wood,                        | 70 00     |
| B. A. Hinck, " "                            | 18 00     |
| Fred Hansen, " "                            | 9 25      |
| H. A. Smith, " "                            | 4 50      |

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| F. O. Whitehouse, storing wood,                              | \$ 1 25               |
| F. B. Blanchard, wood,                                       | 10 00                 |
| Grace L. Brackett, teaching,                                 | 70 00                 |
| Edith M. Brooks, “   | 80 00                 |
| Lena E. Skillings, “   | 75 00                 |
| Evelyn T. Kahrs, “ and supplies,                             | 70 12                 |
| D. W. Lunt, “  | 99 75                 |
| H. J. Merrill, “   | 99 00                 |
| Stella A. Purrington, “                                      | 80 00                 |
| Alice M. Jameson, “  | 60 00                 |
| L. L. Brooks, “  | 90 00                 |
| Grace G. Pride, “  | 100 00                |
| May C. Morrill, “  | 90 00                 |
| Susie M. Winslow, “  | 25 00                 |
| L. M. Ingersoll, transportation of<br>scholars and supplies, | 32 20                 |
| W. E. Winslow, wood,   | 4 50                  |
| Wm. R. Brown, “  | 4 88                  |
| S. F. Chase, “   | 2 00                  |
| Wm. H. Eustis, “   | 5 25                  |
| Lena E. Skillings, teaching,                                 | 67 50                 |
| Edith M. Brooks “  | 72 00                 |
| Grace L. Brackett, “   | 72 00                 |
| Alice M. Jameson, “  | 72 00                 |
| L. L. Brooks, “  | 81 00                 |
| May C. Morrill, “  | 81 00                 |
| Blanche L. Mills, “  | 76 50                 |
| Lillian E. Lowell, “   | 12 00                 |
| D. W. Lunt, “  | 90 25                 |
| J. A. Ricker, setting stoves, etc.,                          | 1 00                  |
| L. M. Ingersoll, transportation of<br>scholars,              | 36 00                 |
| Balance due to schools,                                      | 475 12                |
|  | <hr/>                 |
|  | \$3,447 85 \$3,447 85 |

## TEXT BOOKS.

|                                 |          |          |
|---------------------------------|----------|----------|
| Appropriation,                  |          | \$300 00 |
| Ginn & Co., 1895,               | \$ 99 35 |          |
| G. T. Railway, freight,         | 2 21     |          |
| Am. Book Co.,                   | 8 00     |          |
| D. C. Heath & Co.,              | 17 75    |          |
| H. J. Merrill, express,         | 1 45     |          |
| Ginn & Co.,                     | 160 06   |          |
| Balance in favor appropriation, | 11 18    |          |
|                                 | <hr/>    |          |
|                                 | \$300 00 | \$300 00 |

## REPAIRS ON SCHOOLHOUSES.

|   |          |          |
|---|----------|----------|
| Appropriations,                         |          | \$425 00 |
| Paint sold,                             |          | 6 29     |
| Vaughn C. West, banking, 1895,          | \$ 2 50  |          |
| C. B. Richards & Co., material,         | 4 36     |          |
| W. H. Stevens, blackboards,             | 16 00    |          |
| Wm. McDonald, labor,                    | 26 00    |          |
| Chas. S. Chase, lime and cement,        | 5 70     |          |
| J. E. Gould, lead, oil, etc.,           | 46 33    |          |
| Angus McDonald, labor,                  | 35 00    |          |
| J. F. Williams, labor and material,     | 40 74    |          |
| St. Clair McDonald, labor,              | 33 32    |          |
| G. W. Lord, use of jack screws,         | 3 37     |          |
| J. T. Richards, labor,                  | 25 00    |          |
| H. J. Merrill,     “                    | 11 00    |          |
| C. H. Lord,     “                       | 50       |          |
| O. M. Flys,     “                       | 2 50     |          |
| J. E. Ricker, banking,                  | 2 00     |          |
| A. H. Wilson, labor and material,       | 1 00     |          |
| W. P. Norton,     “     “     “     for |          |          |
| water closets,                          | 11 25    |          |
| Balance in favor appropriations,        | 164 72   |          |
|   | <hr/>    |          |
|   | \$431 29 | \$431 29 |

## SUMS RECOMMENDED TO BE RAISED.

|                         |            |
|-------------------------|------------|
| Schools,                | \$2,000 00 |
| Highways,               | 2,000 00   |
| Poor,                   | 300 00     |
| Out poor and insane,    | 300 00     |
| Bridges and culverts,   | 400 00     |
| Town officers,          | 650 00     |
| Collector's percentage, | 300 00     |
| Snow,                   | 200 00     |
| Contingencies,          | 500 00     |
| Interest,               | 200 00     |
| Text books,             | 200 00     |
| Repair of schoolhouses, | 200 00     |

## Financial Condition of the Town.

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## ASSETS.

|                                   |             |
|-----------------------------------|-------------|
| Due from W. K. Swett, Col., 1895, | \$ 145 56   |
| W. K. Swett, " 1896,              | 5,511 76    |
| State Treas., Seal bounty,        |             |
| and Sheep damage,                 | 91 00       |
| State Treas., dog licenses,       |             |
| estimated,                        | 150 00      |
| Tax deeds,                        | 95 67       |
| Cash in Treasurer's hands,        | 4,193 27    |
|                                   | <hr/>       |
|                                   | \$10,187 26 |

## LIABILITIES.

|  |          |                  |
|--|----------|------------------|
| F. B. Blanchard, Ass'r, Selectman, etc., | \$173 00 |                  |
| D. W. Lunt, " " bal-                     |          |                  |
| ance due,                                | 107 50   |                  |
| A. S. Noyes, Ass'r, Selectman, etc.,     | 151 50   |                  |
| A. S. Noyes, Town Clerk,                 | 18 55    |                  |
| H. J. Merrill, School Supt.,             | 102 00   |                  |
| Ralph S. Norton, Treasurer,              | 75 00    |                  |
| W. K. Swett, bal. Col. per cent., 1895,  | 98 72    |                  |
| W. K. Swett, Col., 1896,                 | 200 00   |                  |
| Schools,                                 | 475 12   |                  |
| Outstanding bills, estimated,            | 150 00   |                  |
| Outstanding orders,                      | 21 50    |                  |
| Outstanding Town notes,                  | 7,500 00 |                  |
| Ballot and Election Clerks,              | 16 00    |                  |
|  | <hr/>    | \$9,088 89       |
| Assets over liabilities,                 |          | <hr/> \$1,098 37 |

F. B. BLANCHARD, } *Selectmen, Assessors*  
 DANIEL W. LUNT, } *and*  
 ARTHUR S. NOYES, } *Overseers of Poor.*

FALMOUTH, ME., Feb. 13, 1897.

I hereby certify that I have examined the above accounts of the Selectmen and Overseers of the Poor, for the year 1896-7, and find them correctly cast and properly vouched.

GEORGE D. YORK, *Auditor.*



## Treasurer's Report.

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### RECEIPTS.

|   |            |
|---|------------|
| Balance on hand last report,  | \$1,110 57 |
| From Arthur S. Noyes, Collector, '92,<br>in full,   | 27 39      |
| James E. Merrill, Collector, '93,<br>in full,   | 3 82       |
| James E. Merrill, Collector, '94,<br>in full,   | 243 10     |
| Walter K. Swett, Collector, '95,  | 4,768 88   |
| “ “ “ '96,  | 9,594 08   |
| Portland Trust Co., for 12 mos.<br>note, with int. at rate of $4\frac{1}{2}$<br>per cent (July 7, 1896,)  | 5,000 00   |
| Portland Trust Co., for 12 mos.<br>note, with int. at rate of $4\frac{1}{2}$<br>per cent. (July 7, 1896,) | 2,500 00   |
| Arthur S. Noyes, Town Clerk,<br>dog licenses,   | 144 00     |
| Town farm account,  | 324 63     |
| Tax deeds cancelled,  | 50 00      |
| F. M. Simpson, State Treasurer,<br>1895 dog licenses refunded,  | 130 67     |
| F. M. Simpson, State Treasurer,<br>seal bounties paid in 1895,<br>refunded,                               | 32 00      |
| F. M. Simpson, State Treasurer,<br>school fund and mill tax, '96,   | 1,088 07   |
| Town of Cumberland, use of<br>derrick,  | 10 00      |
| Town of Pownal,   | 7 00       |
| School tuition,   | 6 00       |
| Lumber sold,  | 24 57      |

|  |       |             |
|--|-------|-------------|
| Paint sold,                                  | 6 29  |             |
| Scrap iron sold,                             | 3 96  |             |
| E. P. Aaskov, board of horse' 95,            | 9 00  |             |
| Portland Trust Co., interest on<br>deposits, | 33 60 |             |
|  | <hr/> | \$25,117 63 |

## DISBURSEMENTS.

|                                 |             |             |
|---------------------------------|-------------|-------------|
| Paid town orders,               | \$11,039 62 |             |
| (July 10, 1896,) Swan & Bar-    |             |             |
| rett, demand note dated Mar.    |             |             |
| 15, 1895, in full,              | 2,000 00    |             |
| (July 10, 1896,) Swan & Bar-    |             |             |
| rett, demand note date Feb.     |             |             |
| 8, 1896, in full,               | 3,000 00    |             |
| Swan & Barrett, interest on     |             |             |
| above notes,                    | 138 94      |             |
| (Jan. 9, 1897,) Henry P. Dew-   |             |             |
| ey, 12 mos. note dated Jan.     |             |             |
| 10, 1896, in full,              | 1,000 00    |             |
| Henry P. Dewey, interest on     |             |             |
| above note,                     | 45 00       |             |
| Portland Trust Co., interest on |             |             |
| notes to Jan. 7, 1897,          | 168 75      |             |
| F. M. Simpson, State Treas-     |             |             |
| urer, State tax, for 1896, in   |             |             |
| full,                           | 2,125 19    |             |
| F. M. Simpson, State Treasurer, |             |             |
| dog license fees for 1896,      | 144 00      |             |
| D. D. Chenery, County Treas-    |             |             |
| urer, county tax for 1896, in   |             |             |
| full,                           | 1,228 86    |             |
| Bounty on 34 seals,             | 34 00       |             |
| Cash now in Treasurer's hands,  | 4,193 27    |             |
|                                 | <hr/>       | \$25,117 63 |

## DESCRIPTION OF OUTSTANDING NOTES.

|  |            |
|--|------------|
| Note to Portland Trust Company, dated July<br>7th, 1896, given for twelve months, with<br>interest at rate of $4\frac{1}{2}$ per cent, | \$5,000 00 |
| Note to Portland Trust Company, dated July<br>7th, 1896, given for twelve months, with<br>interest at rate of $4\frac{1}{2}$ per cent, | 2,500 00   |
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|  | \$7,500 00 |

Respectfully submitted,

RALPH S. NORTON, *Treasurer.*

FALMOUTH, ME., Feb. 13th, 1897.

I hereby certify that I have examined the above accounts of Ralph S. Norton, Treasurer of Falmouth for the year 1896-7, and find them correctly cast and properly vouched, and find in his hands four thousand, one hundred and ninety-three and 27-100 dollars.

GEO. D. YORK, *Auditor.*

## SCHOOL REPORT.

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Whole number of scholars,

447

Total length of schools,

28 weeks

### *Fellow Citizens of Falmouth :*

In attempting to present an outline of our work in the several schools the past year, I find much to commend, and, as perfection is never attained, some to regret. Regarded as a whole, I think the work done compares favorably with other years. The introduction of the new Geography and Grammar begun last year has been completed the present year. The "Course of Study" adopted last year by the School Board has proved to embrace more work than can be thoroughly and successfully accomplished in our ungraded schools in the time specified, more especially as the new books introduced are much more comprehensive than the ones' displaced. Circumstances beyond the control of your committee have prevented the changes that seem necessary to make the course outlined the complete success we look for. From the fact that no limit to the amount of work to be done in the new works on Geography and Language within the year, has been established, and some other obstacles, a written test to compare the work of the several schools with fairness to teachers and pupils was found impracticable and had to be abandoned. Our school year has been shortened by the opening of schools which were suspended last year. The same teachers were employed as far as possible, and the most satisfactory work has been accomplished, as a rule, where no change has been made. We

hear the remark, "As is the teacher so is the school," and I wish to say in justice to our teachers who work hard to raise the standard of their respective schools, morally as well as intellectually, that the best teacher with the best school appliances, under the best supervision, cannot teach a good school unless she has pupils whose parents have a high appreciation of education, and teach their children that it is a most desirable thing, a pearl of great price, a key by which success may be attained, and a source of continual happiness. The interest, life, enthusiasm, upon which so much depends, cannot be sustained, even if awakened, in schools, unless every member is in his class at each recitation.

If we seek to know the true condition of any school, we shall find that its work, in a very large measure, depends upon the attitude of the people toward the school. With the weight of responsibility of the education of children so divided between parent and teacher, is not a thorough understanding and hearty co-operation of the highest importance? Parents, with the aid of your friendly counsel, confidence and respect, the teacher is almost sure of a glorious success. Without this support she is working against odds which many have not the power to overcome.

The teacher's position is a responsible, dignified and useful, though not always an enviable one; and failure in any part of the school work is, or may be to the discredit of the teacher, but to your children it may be a loss beyond any power to estimate.

If you wish the best possible service a teacher can render, assure her of your confidence and esteem, and if the elements of a good instructor of youth are not lacking, you will receive a hearty response.

The school in No. 9 opened in the fall with fifteen scholars and has given the most satisfactory results. The school room was renovated and much credit is due to the parents and teacher who have caused it to be one of the most bright and cheerful rooms in town. The teacher and



scholars in No. 8 have started a reference library of fifteen volumes, which may be a nucleus for future additions. Through the efforts of the pupils and the generous response of parents and friends, the school house in No. 3 has been provided with a fine bell, which is enjoyed by old and young alike. Let the good work continue, and in any case that has seemed to come short of a just demand, let us diligently inquire of ourselves, "Have I, as parent, as teacher, as superintendent, as a friend of education and a loyal citizen, faithfully performed the duties devolving upon me"? Then we may criticise justly rather than harshly. Thanking the many whose kind words and suggestions have often encouraged us in our work, I leave these thoughts for your consideration.

Respectfully submitted,

HENRY J. MERRILL,

FALMOUTH, Feb. 15, 1897.

*Supt. of Schools.*

Pupils who have not been absent for the year :

- No. 2. Horace Sargent, Ray Ricker, Carlos Norton, Hattie Spinney, Margaret Sargent, Marion Sargent, Grace Norton.
- No. 3. Inez W. Bucknam, Charles H. Bucknam, Frank Colley, Erland Merrill, Ethel Colley, Marion Richards, Pearl Bowie.
- No. 4. Alice G. Wilson, Harold Wilson.
- No. 7. Julia F. Winslow, Lois G. Winslow, Fenwick M. Winslow, Clara H. Marston, Lena H. Mountfort.



| No. of School. | NAME OF TEACHER.      | TERM.     | Whole Attendance. | Average Attendance. | Pupils not absent $\frac{1}{2}$ day. | Wages per month |
|----------------|-----------------------|-----------|-------------------|---------------------|--------------------------------------|-----------------|
| 1              | Edith M. Brooks.      | Spring    | 20                | 7                   | 2                                    | \$32 00         |
|                | “ “                   | Fall      | 19                | 17                  | 2                                    | 32 00           |
|                | “ “                   | Winter    | 19                | 18                  | 9                                    | 32 00           |
| 2              | Lucretia L. Brooks.   | Spring    | 30                | 28                  | 16                                   | 36 00           |
|                | “ “                   | Fall      | 31                | 29                  | 17                                   | 36 00           |
|                | “ “                   | Winter    | 28                | 24                  | 13                                   | 36 00           |
| 3              | Henry J. Merrill.     | Spring    | 44                | 38                  | 10                                   | 40 00           |
|                | “ “                   | Fall      | 51                | 48                  | 14                                   | 44 00           |
|                | “ “                   | Winter    | 47                | 40                  | 13                                   | 44 00           |
| 4              | Grace L. Brackett.    | Spring    | 25                | 23                  | 9                                    | 32 00           |
|                | Evelyn T. Kahrs.      | Fall      | 28                | 22                  | 6                                    | 28 00           |
|                | Blanche L. Mills.     | Winter    | 25                | 20                  | 3                                    | 34 00           |
| 5              | May L. Bickford.      | Spring    | 40                | 38                  | 11                                   | 40 00           |
|                | Grace G. Pride.       | Fall      | 39                | 32                  | 6                                    | 40 00           |
|                | “ “                   | Winter    | 37                | 32                  | 6                                    | 40 00           |
| 6              | Daniel W. Lunt.       | Spring    | 22                | 20                  | 6                                    | 36 00           |
|                | “ “                   | Fall      | 24                | 22                  | 6                                    | 38 00           |
|                | “ “                   | Winter    | 23                | 21                  | 1                                    | 38 00           |
| 7              | May C. Morrill.       | Spring    | 37                | 31                  | 8                                    | 32 00           |
|                | “ “                   | Fall      | 39                | 33                  | 15                                   | 36 00           |
|                | “ “                   | Winter    | 35                | 31                  | 13                                   | 36 00           |
| 8              | Lena E. Skillings.    | Spring    | 14                | 11                  |                                      | 28 00           |
|                | “ “                   | Fall      | 15                | 12                  |                                      | 30 00           |
|                | “ “                   | Winter    | 15                | 11                  | 2                                    | 30 00           |
| 9              | Grace L. Brackett.    | Suspended |                   | Spring              |                                      |                 |
|                | “ “                   | Fall      | 15                | 13                  | 5                                    | 28 00           |
|                | “ “                   | Winter    | 16                | 14                  | 3                                    | 32 00           |
| 10             | Stella A. Purrington. | Spring    | 15                | 13                  | 5                                    | 32 00           |
|                | “ “                   | Fall      | 16                | 14                  | 4                                    | 32 00           |
|                | “ “                   | Winter    | 15                | 12                  |                                      | 34 00           |
| 11             | Grace G. Pride.       | Spring    | 8                 | 7                   |                                      | 30 00           |
|                |                       | Suspended |                   | Fall & Winter       |                                      |                 |
| 12             | Julia E. Merrill.     | Spring    | 20                | 17                  | 4                                    | 30 00           |
|                | Alice M. Jameson.     | Fall      | 17                | 14                  | 3                                    | 30 00           |
|                | “ “                   | Winter    | 16                | 12                  | 1                                    | 32 00           |

## Deaths in Falmouth

FROM JAN. 1 TO DEC. 31, 1896.

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- Jan. 3. Mary York, aged 73 yrs., 9 mos.  
       6. Sarah Sommers, aged 31 yrs., 2 mos.  
       28. John R. Dellow, aged 64 yrs.
- Feb. 9. Wm. H. Wilson, aged 78 yrs., 2 mos., 9 days.  
       12. Martha E. Graham, aged 63 yrs., 9 mos.  
       15. Granville Hall, aged 73 yrs.
- Mar. 3. Robert Huston, aged 76 yrs.
- April 5. Neils B. Jensen, aged 64 yrs.  
       5. Sophia Watts, aged 79 yrs.  
       25. Emma M. Lockhart, aged 41 yrs., 6 mos.
- May 8. Elsie J. Libby, aged 5 mos., 23 days.  
       8. Benjamin O'Brien, aged 35 yrs., 11 mos.,  
           23 days.  
       14. Sarah W. Dobbin, aged 78 yrs., 10 mos.
- June 21. Phœbe Swett Brown, aged 56 yrs., 11 mos.,  
           17 days.  
       24. Carl E. Meloon, aged 4 yrs., 8 mos., 24 days.
- July 22. George Rose, aged 80 yrs., 3 mos.
- Aug. 12. Inez M. Lufkin, aged 20 yrs., 9 mos.
- Sept. 28. Austin Merrill, aged 3 yrs., 8 mos.
- Dec. 13. Horace B. Mountfort, aged 36 yrs., 7 mos.,  
           23 days.  
       27. Olaf Garsoc, aged 35 yrs., 6 mos., 15 days.

ARTHUR S. NOYES, *Town Clerk.*





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